

REMARKS

Claims 36-41 are pending in the application. Claims 13-35 have been withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected group. Claim 41 has been added herein. Support for newly added claim 41 can be found in, for example, claim 36 and figure. No new matter has been added. In the office action, the Examiner rejected claims 36-40 under 35 USC § 102(e) as being anticipated by US patent 5,969,750 to Hsieh et al. (hereinafter Hsieh).

Applicant's amended independent claim 36 and new claim 41 reads, "a digitizer subsystem **directly coupled** to said local (PCI) bus." The Office Action cites to the CCD (Elements 111, Figure 5) coupled to the analog to digital converter (Element 113, Figure 5) coupled to the serial port (Element 118, Figure 5) coupled to the serial port (Element 152, Figure 5) of the south bridge (Element 148, Figure 5) via the USB Cable (Element 119, Figure 5). The south bridge (Element 148, Figure 5) is then coupled to what the Office Action reads onto as the local PCI bus (Element 124, Figure 5). Hsieh does not disclose a digitizer subsystem with at least one camera coupled directly to the local (PCI) bus as claims 36

and 41 recite.

The Applicant respectfully submits that since claims 37-40 depend on independent claim 36, claims 37-40 contain all limitations of independent claim 36. Since independent claim 36 should be allowed, as argued herein, pending dependent claims 37-40 should be allowed as a matter of law for at least this reason.

In re Fine, 5 U.S.P.Q.2d 1596, 1608 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

The Office Action makes repeated references to the both PCI bus Element 124 and Element 126 of Hsieh. The Office Action also makes reference to serial interface 190. The rejection is so vague and ambiguous that the genuine basis for each rejection can scarcely be gleaned. A proper anticipated rejection under 102 must disclose each and every element of the claim. The Office Action generally uses (or, rather, misuses) selected portions of reference to fabricate rejections. The Office Action is unclear on how the video conferencing system disclosed in Hsieh figure 5 is intended to read on Applicant's claimed invention.

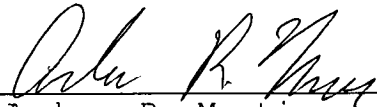
In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and requests early and favorable action on the merits. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, Applicant's attorney of record, to

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facilitate advancement of the present application.

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